



Public Law 92-317
92nd Congress, H. R. 13034
June 22, 1972

An Act

To authorize appropriations to carry out the Fire Research and Safety Act of 1968 and the Standard Reference Data Act, and to amend the Act of March 3, 1901 (31 Stat. 1449), to make improvements in fiscal and administrative practices for more effective conduct of certain functions of the National Bureau of Standards.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is authorized to be appropriated to the Department of Commerce not to exceed \$5,000,000 for fiscal year 1973, not to exceed \$9,000,000 for fiscal year 1974, and not to exceed \$10,500,000 for fiscal year 1975 to carry out the purposes of the Fire Research and Safety Act of 1968 (Public Law 90-259; 82 Stat. 34).

National Bureau of Standards, Certain programs, Appropriation authorization.

15 USC 278f note.

Sec. 2. There is authorized to be appropriated to the Department of Commerce not to exceed \$3,000,000 for fiscal year 1973, not to exceed \$4,500,000 for fiscal year 1974, and not to exceed \$5,500,000 for fiscal year 1975 to carry out the purposes of the Standard Reference Data Act (15 U.S.C. 290-290f; 82 Stat. 339).

86 STAT. 234.

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Sec. 3. (a) The Act entitled "An Act to establish the National Bureau of Standards", approved March 3, 1901 (31 Stat. 1449), as amended, is further amended by adding the following section:

"SEC. 18. Appropriations to carry out the provisions of this Act may remain available for obligation and expenditure for such period or periods as may be specified in the Acts making such appropriations."

82 Stat. 35.
15 USC 271 et seq.

(b) Such Act is further amended by striking the period at the end of paragraph (19) of section 2, by inserting a comma in lieu thereof and by adding the following: "and including the use of National Bureau of Standards scientific or technical personnel for part-time or intermittent teaching and training activities at educational institutions of higher learning as part of and incidental to their official duties and without additional compensation other than that provided by law."

Teaching authority.
64 Stat. 371.
15 USC 272.

(c) Such Act is further amended by revising the first sentence of section 3 to read as follows: "The Bureau is authorized to exercise its functions for the Government of the United States and for international organizations of which the United States is a member; for governments of friendly countries; for any State or municipal government within the United States; or for any scientific society, educational institution, firm, corporation, or individual within the United States or friendly countries engaged in manufacturing or other pursuits requiring the use of standards or standard measuring instruments: *Provided*, That the exercise of these functions for international organizations, governments of friendly countries and scientific societies, educational institutions, firms, corporations, or individuals therein shall be in coordination with other agencies of the United States Government, in particular the Department of State in respect to foreign entities."

International organizations, service.
15 USC 273.

(d) Such Act is further amended by deleting in section 14 the figure "\$10,000" and substituting in lieu thereof the figure "\$75,000".

72 Stat. 1711.
15 USC 278d.

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15 USC 278e.

(e) Such Act is further amended by revising section 15(b) to read as follows:

"(b) the care, maintenance, protection, repair, and alteration of Bureau buildings and other plant facilities, equipment, and property."

Repeal.

(f) That portion of the Act of April 29, 1926 (44 Stat. 356; 40 U.S.C. 14a) which relates to the National Bureau of Standards is hereby repealed.

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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

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SENATE REPORT No. 92-832 (Comm. on Commerce).

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June 14, House concurred in Senate amendments.